10. (Am inded) A process for the preparation of a cosmetic powder comprising th 1 2 steps of: preparation of a powder phase, wherein said powder comprises at least one of the 3 group consisting of excipients, pigments, and spherical and non-spherical silica; preparation of an alpha hydroxy acids polymer or co-polymer phase; 5 mixture of said powder phase and of said alpha hydroxy acids polymer or 6 co-polymer phase with a solvent in slurry or spray; and 7 evaporation of the solvent, to form an alpha hydroxy acids polymer or co-polymer 8 coating on said powder, whereby said coating can degrade and release onto the skin of a 9 wearer at least one of monomers and oligomers when said cosmetic powder is applied to

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